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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) | | Docket Number (Optional) |
| FY 2005 <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)</i> | | 10.0760 |
| Application Number | 10/047,474 | Filed October 23, 2001 |
| For APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR EFFICIENT DETECTION AND SUPPRESSION OF CORRUPTED FIBRE... | | |
| Art Unit | 2616 | Examiner Andrew Chung Cheung Lee |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

| | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$120 | \$60 | \$ 120.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$2160 | \$1080 | \$ _____ |

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. 05/15/2006 CNGUYEN2 00000028 10047474

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I am the applicant/inventor.

assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).

attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 48,234

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Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____


Signature

May 10, 2006

Date

Christopher L. Bernard

704/366-6642

Typed or printed name

Telephone Number

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2005

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 120.00)

Complete if Known

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| Application Number | 10/047,474 |
| Filing Date | October 23, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | Ronald Arthur FRANK et al. |
| Examiner Name | Andrew Chung Cheung Lee |
| Art Unit | 2616 |
| Attorney Docket No. | 10.0760 |

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION
1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | Fee (\$) | Small Entity Fee (\$) | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | _____ |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | _____ |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _____ |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES
Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity
Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims
Extra Claims
Fee (\$)
Fee Paid (\$)
Multiple Dependent Claims
Fee (\$)
Fee Paid (\$)

- 20 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims
Extra Claims
Fee (\$)
Fee Paid (\$)

- 3 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) |
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| - 100 = _____ | / 50 = _____ (round up to a whole number) | x _____ | = _____ | |

4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Fees Paid (\$)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): _____ Fee for 1-Mo. Extension of Time

\$120.00

SUBMITTED BY

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| Signature | <i>Christopher L. Bernard</i> | Registration No. 48,234 (Attorney/Agent) | Telephone 704/366-6642 |
| Name (Print/Type) | Christopher L. Bernard | | Date May 10, 2006 |

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